to modernising teaching methods in Kendriya Vidyalayas; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Sangathan thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter will be considered by the Sangathan.

Injectable form of Homoeopathic drugs

1092. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Drug Control Act approves of Homoeopathic medicines in injectable form;

(b) if not, whether Government are aware that Homoeopathic drugs in injectable form are being manufactured in India and also being imported from Germany; and

(c) if answer to (b) above is in the affirmative, what action Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) As per information available, Homoeopathic injections are neither manufactured in the country nor imported for commercial purposes. However, small quantity of Homoeopathic injections, under the brand name ISCADOR, manufactured in Germany, used in the treatment of Cancer is being imported by individual patients—which is allowed under Import Trade Control Policy 1990—93.

Pay scales of medical officers in CGHS Dispensaries of indigenous system of medicine

1093. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering removal of disparities in pay, allowances, time scale promotions of medical officers working in CGHS dispensaries of indigenous system of medicines and homoeopathy and those who are in CGHS cadre;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether Government would fix a time frame for decisive action in the matter;

(c) whether Government are also considering the similar improvements in the service conditions of scientists working in the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic and Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes.

(b) to (d) The matter is still under consideration of the Government.

Homoeopathic Practitioner's Authority to Administer drugs

1094. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a registered Homoeopathic practitioner is authorised to administer or prescribe drugs other than Homeopathic to his patients under the existing law; and

(b) if not, what action Government take in cases of violation?